A man in Butler, Okla., who has followed e "biggest ear of corn" and "biggest ampkin" controversy in the Star, writes tell about his giant radish. "It is a bumpkin controversy in the Star, writes to tell about his giant radish. "It is a black Spanish winter radish," this vera-cious correspondent writes, "just commenc-ing its winter growth. It has leaves as long as a Missouri fence rail; it is larger at the top than that Kansas pumpkin, and has sapped my well of all its water. It looks like a steam merry-go-round and is atill growing Grasshoppers fattened on its leaves now weigh 40 pounds."-Kansas

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A transformation of the interior of a family mansion resulted in an extraordinary inversion of the plans of nature. The owner, Mr. Brownjohn, a retired stock broker, was determined to turn night into day, and it cost him thousands of pounds to do it, according to Pearson's Weekly. All the outside windows of the house were built up, so as to exclude every ray of natural light. Entrance to the mansion was by an underground pasthe whole place with a light as of

o'clock each evening, and, having breakfasted, started on a day's routine of work and pleasure. He lunched at one in the morning, drank dined at seven o'clock, retiring to rest about ten and eleven a. m., when, by an ingenious sliding arrangement in the roof, the bright sky and imitation sun were at once transformed into a concave expanse of inky blackness; from out of which a host of false stars twinkled, and an artificial moon shed forth her spurious beams.

Partners in Highway Robbery Went Into Court to Settle Their Business Accounts.

Perhaps the most remarkable suit ever brought is on the records of the court of the exchequer in England. It was filed on October 3, 1725, and tum. it sets forth very clearly that John Everit and Joseph Williams were highway robbers, says the New York

In the succinct legal phrases the complaint says that the men formed a partnership for the purposes of carrying on business as highwaymen. It was mighty profitable, as was shown by the fact that Everit sued Williams for the equivalent of \$5,000, "being for moneys wrongfully appropriated to defendant's private purse."

This was the amount in dispute after the partnership had lasted only a year. Then Everit claimed that not made a fair division of the spoils. ficulty.

The action was adjudged to be a gross contempt of court, and the and was sent to prison for six months. Both plaintiff and defendhanged-one at Tyburn and the other at Maidstone.

Disguised Hands Always Bad.

"Here is a truth." says a handwriting expert in the Philadelphia Record, "that is as widespread as the to be poorer than the real hand. That axiom is a great help to us experts. For instance, when a letter done in a tors. disguised hand is brought to us we always know that the writer of the letter is in a higher station than the hand would lead us to infer. Hence, in our detective work, we are able to save persons socially below the appearance of the letter, and concentrating our at- dressed to San Juan: tention on those only who are above

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Leading Citizens of Caracas Send a Joint Note.

The Signers Will Meet to Discuss Ways and Means For Obtaining Money With Which to Meet Venezuela's Obligations.

London, Dec. 17.-Judging from statments given out by the foreign ofsage; and every room had a door and fice, the Venezuelan situation Tuesday window opening onto a magnificent night does not appear to be any nearer central space, which was open to the a settlement. Up to a late hour Tuesroof. From the roof, when it was day night no suggestion had been night outside, an imitation sun shone made that Great Britain could eventuforth an electric glare, which filled ally see its way to submitting its claims to arbitration, and the foreign office points out that Venezuela's of-The wealthy eccentric rose at nine fer to arbitrate is extremely vague. President Castro, in the communication in which he expresses his willingness to resort to arbitration, provides no guarantee that the rights of a cup of tea about four a. m., and British subjects in Venezuela will be respecting the award. The foreign office claims that some matters are impossible to arbitrate, instancing the disrespectful treatment of Mr. Haggard. British minister to Venezuela. To arbitrate the financial claims, however, will meet with no opposition in official circles in London, nor is there any desire to stir up opposition here by continuing unnecessarily the pres-QUEEREST SUIT ON RECORD. ent armed compact with Germany.

Caracas, Dec. 17.—Signor DeRiva has been instructed by his government to present to the government of Venezuela Italy's demand for the immediate payment of \$542,000 to meet the Italian claims arising from former revolutions, in the form of an ultima-

London, Dec. 17.-In the house of lords Tuesday Lord Lansdowne, the secretary of state for foreign affairs, said that German and British ships would blockade Venezuelan ports, but that it was not intended to land a British force or occupy Venezuelan territory.

Caracas, Dec. 18 .- Indications here are that Venezuela will yield to the demands of the allies.

The leading citizens of Caracas have addressed a joint note to President Castro asking him to give full powers to United States Minister Bowen to he discovered that his partner had effect a termination of the present dif-

This note was transmitted to President Castro at 1 o'clock Wednesday plaintiff was ordered to pay all afternoon. It is signed by all the leadcosts, while the solicitors who served ing merchants, bankers and agriculthe writ were fined £50 each. One turists of Caracas. It reflects truly the of the solicitors, a man named consensus of current opinion among Wreathcock, refused to pay the fine the business element of this city. The men who signed the note will meet again to discuss ways and means for ant to this action were subsequently obtaining money with which it will be possible to offer to her creditors.

The note is signed by about 2,000 prominent citizens of Caracas.

Caracas, Dec. 18 .-- It has been decided that the Venezuelan difficulty shall be arbitrated, and the discussion other. A disguised hand always tries of terms of settlements is now going on. United States Minister Bowen undoubtedly will be one of the arbitra-

> The government fears that coercive measures will follow the establishment of the blockade.

Washington, Dec. 18.—The following cablegram was sent Wednesday by much valuable time by eliminating all the navy department to Adm. Dewey, in command of the combined fleets, ad-

"Send competent officer with dispatch in torpedo boat destroyer or other vessel to Caracas as assistant to

American minister." The following cablegram also was sent to Commander Diehl, of the Ma-

rietta, now lying at La Guaira: "Send Van Dusen (executive officer of the Marietta) as assistant to the

American minister temporarily." The officer from Dewey's fleet will relieve Lieut. Commander Van Duzen,

who is only an hour distance from Car-

acas when he arrived upon the scene. It was stated at the navy department that one reason for sending the officers to Caracas was the fact that Mr. Bowen is almost overwhelmed CATTLE-Butchers . 4 50 with the work imposed upon him by HOGS-Western his many charges. He has nearly all of the English residents in Caracas domiciled in the American legation CORN-No. 2 mixed. and is feeding them from his own ta-OATS-No. 2 mixed. ble. As for the torpedo boat destroyer, PORK-Mess it is pointed out that it will serve as a dispatch boat to keep Mr. Bowen in touch with the nearest cable station to La Guaira, which can be relied upon to transmit messages to Washington in case the La Guaira cable is cut as an incident to the blockade.

Caracas, Dec. 18.—President Castro has refused to recognize Italy's claim. At 8 o'clock Wednesday morning Minister Bowen went to the Italian legation in a state carriage, accompanied by Secretary Russell, and took the Italian minister, Signor De Riva, and the Italian consul, Signor Gazzurelli, and conducted them to the railroad station, where they were met by the leading Italian residents of this city.

Steel Plants Sold.

Chicago, Dec. 17.—Judge Elbert E. Gray, chairman of the United States steel corporation, announced Tuesday the purchase of the Union and Sharon plants of the United States Steel Co., near Pittsburg, the transaction involving a bond issue of \$45,000,000.

Matos Refuses to Aid Castro. Antwerp, Dec. 17 .- A private cablegram from Caracas says a new revoluion threatens Castro, and that Gen. Matos, who led the last revolution, refuses to co operate with Castro against

FILLETED BY INSTALLMENTS.

He Thought His Bones Were to Be Taken from Him a Bit at a Time.

At the Royal national hospital, Ventnor, At the Royal national hospital, Ventnor, recently a patient found a very small piece of splintered bone work out through his skin. Next day he happened to be called up for medical examination, with some four or five other patients. In the consulting room he told the physician of the preceding day's incident, relates the Philadelphia Inquirer.

"Can you produce the piece of bone?" said the latter. Whereupon the fellow carefully unwrapped a little piece of paper and handed over the tiny object. The doctor made some remarks about its chemical nature, and passed it on to the resident med-

ture, and passed it on to the resident medical officers for further scrutiny.

The patient was then dismissed, and in the next room caused some amusement among the few fellow sufferers present by the remark: "That's all right, ain't it? I wonder what he'll do next. He's started sneakin' my confounded skeleton, and says how very interestin' it is!"

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Transcript.

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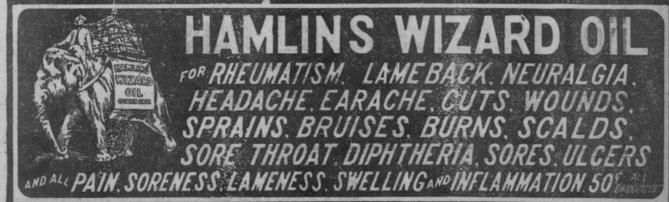


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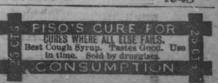
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